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Federal Opportunities

Contraceptive Use Among Young Adults at Risk.

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces funds to investigate the context with which sexually active young adult African American and Latino women and men (18-25) communicate sexual values and negotiate about barrier contraceptive use. Eligible applicants include public and private nonprofit organizations, faith-based and /or community-based organizations, colleges, technical schools, research institutions, hospitals, and State and local governments. The deadline for applications is May 27, 2003. Approximately \$800,000 is available to fund 2 awards ranging from \$300,000-\$450,000. For further information contact LaKassa Wyatt at (770) 488-2728 or Lwyatt@cdc.gov. This grant program is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under Executive Order 12372.

Credit Enhancement for Charter School Facilities Program.

The Department of Education (DOED) announces funds to enhance the credit of charter schools so that they can access private sector and other non-Federal capital to acquire, construct, and renovate facilities at a reasonable cost. Eligible applicants include public entities such as State or local governmental entities, private nonprofits, or a consortium of both. The deadline for applications is June 3, 2003. Approximately \$25 million is available to fund 3-5 awards ranging from \$2.5 million-\$10 million. For further information, contact Jim Houser at (202) 401-0307 or Jim.Houser@ed.gov.

Early Childhood Educator Professional Development Program.

The Department of

Education (DOED) announces funds to improve the knowledge and skills of early childhood educators who work in communities that have high concentrations of children living in poverty. Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education, faith-based organizations, public or private entities, and State and local public agencies. The deadline for applications is May 16, 2003. Approximately \$14.9 million is available to fund 5-14 awards, ranging from \$1.2-\$2.8 million. For further information, contact Melanie Kadlic at (202) 260-3793 or Melanie.Kadlic@ed.gov.

Employment and Training Intermediaries.

The Department of Labor (DOL)/Employment and Training Administration (ETA) announce funds for intermediaries with established connections and working relationships to grassroots faith-based and community organizations that have the ability to connect those smaller organizations and the people they serve to the local One-Stop delivery system. Eligible applicants include nonprofit, community, and/or faith-based organizations with the above mentioned connections and relationships. The deadline for applications is May 5, 2003. Approximately \$3.5 million is available to fund 7-12 grants. For more information, contact Denise Roach, Grants Management Specialist, at (202) 693-3301 or go to: <http://www.doleta.gov/usworkforce/>.

Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools--Carol M. White Physical Education Program.

The Department of Education (DOED) announces funds to initiate, expand, or improve physical education programs, including after-school programs, to help students make progress toward meeting State standards for physical education. Eligible applicants include Local Educational Agencies, community-

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based and faith-based organizations. The deadline for applications is May 12, 2003. Approximately \$59.5 million is available to fund 198 awards ranging from \$100,000-\$500,000. For further information, contact Ethel Jackson at (202) 260-2812 or Ethel.Jackson@ed.gov. This grant program is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under Executive Order 12372.

One-Stop Delivery System. *The Department of Labor (DOL)/Employment and Training Administration (ETA)* announce funds for "grass roots" organizations with the ability to connect to the local One-Stop delivery system. Objectives of the program include (1) meeting defined community needs through provision of a variety of workforce services to specific populations and/or through the provision of particular supportive services not currently provided through the One-Stop delivery system and (2) expanded access of faith-based and community-based organizations' clients and customers to the training, job and career services offered by the local One-Stops. Eligible applicants include grassroots nonprofit organizations that have social services as a major part of their mission, are headquartered in the local community to which they provide these services, have a total annual operating budget of \$300,000 or less, or have six or fewer full-time equivalent employees. The deadline for applications is May 9, 2003. Approximately \$250,000 will be available to fund 10-12 grants. For more information, contact Linda Forman, Grants Specialist, at (202) 693-3301 or go to: <http://www.doleta.gov/usworkforce/>.

Organization to Administer the President's Volunteer Service Awards. *The Commission on National and Community Service (CNCS)* will enter into a cooperative agreement of up to three years to provide administrative and technical support in the development and implementation of the President's Volunteer Service Awards program. Eligible applicants include commercial organizations, nonprofit organizations, State and local government entities, and institutions of higher learning. The deadline for applications is April 25, 2003. Approximately \$100,000 is available in year one, \$250,000 in years two and three. For further information, contact Christine Benero at (202) 606-5000 x 193 or cbenero@cns.gov. Also see: <http://www.cns.gov/whatshot/notices.html>.

Research on the Socio-Economic Change in Cities. *Housing and Urban Development (HUD)* announces funds to provide HUD with a basic understanding of how cities are changing, what factors are driving change, and the impact of public policy on change. Eligible applicants include academic and nonprofit institutions, and State and local governments. The deadline for applications is May 27, 2003. Approximately \$300,000 is available to fund 7-8 awards of up to \$40,000 each. For further information, contact R. Alastair McFarlane at (202) 708-0436 x 5901 or Patrick Tewey at (202) 708-1796 x 4098.

District Opportunities

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.sh [tm](#) for the following notices:

The Department of Health (DOH)/Addiction Prevention and Recovery Administration (APRA)/Office of Prevention and Youth Services (OPYS), Youth Substance Abuse Prevention, due April 17, 2003.

DC Public Schools (DCPS)/State Education Agency (SEA), FY 2003 Enhanced Education Through Technology Competitive Grant Program, due May 7, 2003.

Foundation Opportunities

Community Partnerships. *The Pathways to Collaboration* *workgroup, funded by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation*, will give up to 12 community partnerships from across the United States a unique opportunity to explore exactly what makes a collaborative problem-solving process successful. Working with other partnerships and a group of people with valuable technical skills, participating partnerships will: (1) understand and document what they are doing well and learn how to teach those skills to others; (2) go beyond their current achievements by learning from partnerships whose strengths are complementary to their own; and (3) create new knowledge and tools that will help

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partnerships everywhere become more effective in engaging many different kinds of people and organizations in collaborative problem solving. Eligible applicants include partnerships that have a record of success in using collaboration to address problems that are important to people in their community, a spirit of curiosity about what made those successes possible, and an interest in participating in a rigorous and provocative learning experience. The deadline for Letters of Intent is May 9, 2003. Successful applicants will receive \$50,000 per year for three years to enable the entire partnership to participate in the workgroup experience. For more information, go to: <http://www.pathwaystocollaboration.net/>.

Domestic Violence Awareness. *Altria Group, Inc.* and *the National Network to End Domestic Violence* have announced the 2003 Altria Doors of Hope: Community Awareness grant cycle. The goal of this program is to fund statewide and/or local public awareness campaigns targeting specific issues, geographies, and/or audiences (e.g. elder abuse, African Americans, rural residents, women with disabilities) in order to increase awareness about domestic violence, including available services and mobilization efforts. Eligible applicants are: HHS recognized domestic violence coalitions that are 501(c)(3) organizations in all fifty states and DC; coalitions that have been in operation for a minimum of three years and have recent audited financials (fiscal year 2001 or more recent) stating that they are compliant with generally accepted accounting principles; and coalitions that have secured a minimum 30 percent match (cash or in-kind) for their Altria Doors of Hope: Community Awareness grant. The deadline for applications is May 16, 2003. A maximum of ten grants, of up to \$100,000 each, will be awarded to fund domestic violence community awareness efforts including, but not limited to: television, radio, print, and electronic media public service announcements and/or advertising, as well as theater productions, and visual arts exhibitions. For more information, go to: http://www.altria.com/responsibility/04_05_10_Door_s_of_Hope_Main.asp.

Playground Challenge Grant Program. KaBOOM!, a DC-based nonprofit organization that helps to build playgrounds across North America, has announced its 2003 Playground Challenge Grant

Program, underwritten by Computer Associates International, Inc. Eligible applicants include community groups that demonstrate a compelling need for a new or improved community playground, have the ability to organize volunteers in the planning and construction of the playground, and have the ability to raise the additional funds needed for the playground. The deadline for applications is April 30, 2003. Approximately 20 grants of \$5,000 each will be given. Grant award winners must commit to building their playgrounds by April 2004. For more information about the 2003 Challenge Grants program, contact KaBOOM! at 312-360-9520 or visit the website: <http://www.kaboom.org/nooz.aspx?id=339>.

Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Healthcare. *The Aetna Foundation* created the Regional Community Grants Program to address critical health issues in communities within Aetna's six U.S. business regions. In 2003, the program will focus on reducing racial and ethnic disparities in healthcare. Proposals should specifically address one of the following goals: reducing cultural and communication barriers in health delivery; or improving access to consistent care and treatment for racial and ethnic minorities targeting the following medical conditions: asthma, cardiovascular disease, and diabetes. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations in DC with evidence of IRS 501(c)(3) designation or de facto tax-exempt status. The deadline for applications is May 30, 2003. Grant requests from \$15,000-\$50,000 will be considered. For more information, go to: www.aetna.com/foundation/communitygrants/index.htm.

Summer Programs. *The DC Children and Youth Investment Trust Corporation (Trust Corporation)* is accepting Letters of Inquiry for its Summer Programs 2003 initiative. Based on available funding, the Trust Corporation will fund a limited number of daylong summer programs for children between the ages of 5 and 18. The programs will operate from June 30-August 1, 2003. Eligible applicants include community-based organizations, faith-based organizations, DC Public Schools and other service providers (both for and not-for-profit) with proven records of summer programming in the District. The deadline for Letters of Inquiry is April 14, 2003. Successful applicants will be asked to submit a full proposal. Guidelines are available at www.cyitc.org.

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If you do not have access to the web, call (202) 347-4441 and the guidelines will be faxed to you. The guidelines are also available at the Trust Corporations offices: 1400 16th Street, NW, Suite 500.

Tech Grants to Schools and Youth Organizations.

With financial support provided by *Oracle Corporation*, the *Help Us Help Foundation* assists K-12 public schools and youth organizations in economically challenged communities to obtain information technology tools. Eligible applicants include: K-12 public and public charter schools with a significant number of their students qualify for the subsidized lunch program or can otherwise be documented as low-income; or community-based organizations that have 501(c)(3) status and provide educational services to youth who lack access to technology. The deadline for applications is August 31, 2003. Applicants, who must submit a preliminary application online, are encouraged to submit their applications early. For complete guidelines and online application forms, go to:

<http://www.helpushelp.org/>.

Resources & Announcements

Faith-Based and Community Initiative. *The White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiative and the Centers for the Faith-Based and Community Initiative* - located in seven Federal agencies - are working to support the essential work of faith-based and community organizations. Their goal is to make sure that grassroots leaders can compete on an equal footing for federal dollars, receive greater private support, and face fewer bureaucratic barriers. To find out more about the Faith-Based and Community Initiative, go to: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/government/fbci/>.

Foundation Giving: Estimates for 2002, Outlook for 2003. *The Foundation Center* has produced a new report that projects that giving by the country's nearly 62,000 grantmaking foundations remained steady at an estimated \$30.3 billion last year, almost unchanged from the \$30.5 billion awarded in 2001. However, foundation giving will almost certainly decrease in 2003, although not as dramatically as might be expected given the state of the economy and the stock market. To view the 12-page report, go to: http://www.fdncenter.org/research/trends_analysis/pdf/fgge03.pdf.

Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC).

The Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) is pleased to announce the official opening of its new resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South, at the Red Line's Judiciary Square Metro Station, 4th Street exit. The GIRC provides technical assistance that connects DC government agencies, nonprofit and faith-based organizations to information about resources that improve community services in the city. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but requires an appointment. **Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.**

Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

JUVJUST, the electronic newsletter of the *Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)*, is your link to the latest juvenile justice information from OJJDP and the field, including announcements of recent publications, grants and funding opportunities, and upcoming conferences. JUVJUST is a free service. To subscribe, go to OJJDP's website (www.ojjdp.ncjrs.org) and click on the JUVJUST button.

Online Services. *The Stargazer Foundation*, a provider of free technology platforms for nonprofit use, announced that it has expanded www.StargazerNET.net to provide new capabilities for people and organizations to create surveys and distance-learning courses online. They provide advanced technological capabilities, at no cost, to nonprofit, social service, governmental, and educational institutions. For more information, go to: www.stargazernet.net.

Technology Training Scholarships. *Technology Works for Good (TWFG)* is an eSolutions Partner with the *Verizon Foundation* in an effort to widen access to its training classes. Nonprofits are invited to apply to the Verizon Foundation for eTraining Scholarships to attend TWFG software application

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training classes. While the program is targeted to nonprofit groups with annual budgets under \$500,000, any 501(c)(3) organization may apply. For more information on this program, go to:

http://www.technologyworks.org/education/verizon_etraining.php or go directly to the Verizon Foundation website at:
<http://foundation.verizon.com/06003a.shtml>

Website Information for Nonprofits. In a recent *GuideStar/Network for Good* survey, an overwhelming majority (89 percent) of nonprofit respondents said their organizations had a Web site. Another eight percent reported that their organizations planned to launch a Web site this year. Network for Good also conducted two user surveys in recent months. Combined with the *GuideStar/Network for Good* nonprofit survey, the results illustrate the growing extent to which nonprofits and potential supporters are interacting on-line. They also reveal a meaningful disconnect between what nonprofits think makes a good Web site and what people say they really want. To see the results of these surveys, go to:

http://www.guidestar.org/news/features/web_users_want.stm.

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